

THE SHAKERITE

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Special Courses Promote Study

During this past summer, Earl Seidman conducted two special courses for Shaker students. One group, consisting of nine juniors, attended the Great Lakes Shakespeare Festival in Lakewood.

This group met four times weekly throughout the summer. One night a week was spent at the Festival and those participating saw four of the six plays presented there.

Two of these plays were comedies, one was a tragedy, and one was a history.

The second course conducted by Mr. Seidman was a discussion group on 20th century literature. This course, which met one night a week, was organized at the request of students who were interested in reading and discussing modern novels. This group was made up of ten seniors. Both classes met at the homes of participating students.



"Hello!" shout the cheerleaders, as they practice for tonight's game. The girls are (from left to right): Penny Weed, Jody Beron, Sue Graham, Julie Suk, Joyce Newman, Chris Adler, and Patti Warren.

Cheerleaders, Peppers Have New Look for '64

The cheerleaders and Shaker Peppers have assumed a new look this year. This year's cheerleading squad is taller than last year's, and the Shaker Peppers have been organized into a separate club.

The cheerleaders for 1963-64 are co-captained by Joyce Newman and Penny Weed. Chris Adler, Sue Graham, and Patti Warren, seniors, and Jody Beron and Julie Suk, juniors, compose the remainder of the squad.

New Cheer

This year the names of the cheerleaders have been monogrammed on their blouses. They have also made up a new cheer called "Our Team." The cheerleaders practiced four days a week from 7 o'clock to 8:30 during July and began again Monday, August 26.

The Shaker Peppers club, which provides skits for pep rallies and helps arouse spirit at the games, has undergone a major change. Formerly, the cheerleaders headed the club, but this year, the peppers will be a separate organization under the leadership of Bonnie Beran, president.

Eight representatives, two each from the junior and senior classes and two each from the sophomores coming from Byron and Woodbury, have met to form plans for this year's activities.

Since the Kickoff Party will be Friday, September 13, instead of the Friday night before the game, a pep rally will take place Friday, September 6, at 3:30.

mer workshop at Kent State University from July 21 to July 25. This workshop, for 215 students, dealt with student council leadership. Seven competing councils practiced group dynamics.

Shaker will soon profit by this workshop, for Alan Farkas reported, "Alice and I are planning to lead a leadership workshop which will be five days in length and will be open to all Student Council and Social Council representatives, club presidents, and committee chairmen."

Kent Workshop

Alice Hecht and Alan represented Shaker at another sum-

Kahrl Unmasks Damascus; Writes from Ancient Syria

Dear Shakerites,

Damascus, the oldest city in the world, has been my home this summer. Although many sparkling new buildings line broad avenues filled with careening French and American cars, there could never be the danger of mistaking Damascus for a Western city. The air is always filled with the cry of street vendors and the clatter of donkey carts.

In the old city, narrow stone streets built by the Romans thread between houses which have stood for centuries. There is no parallel to the Souk El-Hamidieh, the covered market place, nearly a half-mile long, in which scores of tiny shops display beautiful brocades, metalwork, and articles of inlaid ivory.

Never have I known so warm, so kind, so accommodating a people. But they need discipline, explains my brother. They need a leader. To many, Gamel Nasser is that leader. But the Syrians value their freedom above everything else and Nasser is a terribly powerful man.

Politics is the national sport here and fiery opinions are very likely to burst into violent action. The recent attempted coup d'etat was certainly a revolting development. But the people here accepted it as an almost normal event. As MIG jets swooped and wheeled above, machine gun fire broke out in all parts of the city and the people scurried to the shelter of their homes. The streets were very quickly clear and they remained so for four days.

All is well now, however, and life continues in this holy city as it has for centuries.

Entirely,
Bill

Improved Activity Ticket Offers Many Advantages

The activity ticket drive begins on Thursday, September 5. This is the only drive to finance Shaker's activities program. The activity card is new this year and is designed to appeal to the entire student body.

It has been revised so that it maintains the same price, \$5.50, but gives the holder of the card more benefits than ever before.

A major part of the card contains six football tickets, which cost \$2.50. Since the cost of all advanced sale athletic tickets has been raised to \$.50, by buying a card students can save a total of \$.50 on the football tickets.

As an added saving, students with activity cards will pay the reduced price of \$.40 on all other advanced sale athletic tickets.

Since the cost of football tickets is \$.10 less this year, the music department and the Social Council will each receive \$.05 for the first time.

More Advantages

The remainder of the activity ticket will be the same. The

Shakerite will receive \$2.00, \$.25 will go to Student Council, class dues will be \$.50, girls' athletics will be \$.10 and the assembly fund will receive \$.05.

To provide even more advantages to owning a card, the price of tickets to all plays, band-sponsored affairs, social council dances, and choir-sponsored affairs will be reduced for those students with activity cards. In addition to all these savings, there will be affairs exclusively for activity card holders.

Alan Farkas, president of the Student Council, and Joe Owens, head of the activity ticket sale, are the leaders in the drive.

The strongest possible support is essential because the ticket is the only means by which the student can support his class, *The Shakerite*, the Student Council, and his school in general.

14 New Teachers Join Faculty Almost All Departments Grow

Fourteen new faces are evident among this year's faculty. The new members, seven women and seven men, will be replacing and supplementing last year's staff in almost all the departments.

Mrs. Harriet W. Andrews, Mrs. Esther B. Burroughs, Mrs. Dorothy C. Ferster, Miss Carolyn A. Olds, and Paul H. Wild are the newcomers to the English department.

Mrs. Andrews received her Bachelor of Science degree at Bloomburg State College and has done graduate work at the University of Oklahoma and Westminster College.

Miss Olds is a graduate of Mount Union College and Western Reserve University. Mr. Wild graduated from Ohio University and has received a Master's degree from the University of Toledo. Mrs. Burroughs is a graduate of Keuka College, and Mrs. Ferster graduated from Western Reserve.

New Language Teachers

Three new teachers, Miss Ethel Brachna, Mrs. Ruby Liles, and Donald D. Travis will add their talents to the language department. Miss Brachna has studied French at Wittenberg

University, Columbia University, and Tufts University.

Mrs. Liles, who has a Bachelor's degree from Akron University and a Master's degree from Middlebury College, will teach French.

Mr. Travis, a Spanish teacher, has studied at Monmouth College, Knox College, and Bowling Green State University.

W. Ray Everett, a new member of the mathematics department, will teach algebra and geometry. He received his Bachelor of Science degree at Wittenberg and his Master of Science degree at the University of Illinois.

One chemistry and several biology classes will be taught by David R. Stewart. He graduated from Clarion State College and is working toward his Master's at Kent State University.

Teaching in the new art room will be Daniel Hodermarsky. He is a graduate of Kent State University and received his Master of Arts degree from Western Reserve University.

Other Departments

Charles L. Sindledacker Jr. will be the Coordinator of Teaching Media for the Shaker School District. He received both his Master's and Bachelor's degree at Kent State University.

Allan R. Raymond is coming to Shaker to supplement the Boys' Physical Education staff. He has been a member of the high school football coaching staff in the past.

The final addition to the faculty is Mrs. Thelka Wiley, who will assume the sundry duties of social director. She is a graduate of the University of Toronto.

GREETINGS!

I sincerely hope you have had a good summer. Again, we start the new school year with an enrollment larger than that of any previous year. Large schools are not necessarily good schools. But, a large school will be a good school to the extent that each student and staff member assumes the responsibility of making it so. I bespeak for everyone your individual acceptance of this responsibility.

My best wishes to each of you for a successful and happy year.

Russell H. Rupp
Principal

The Shakerite... Who Needs It?

A high school newspaper must fulfill many duties. It functions not only as a training ground for a few young journalists but also as a vital organ in the life of the entire school which it serves. The policy of *The Shakerite* in the coming year will be to take a more active, more vital part in the life of Shaker Heights High School.

The first duty of any newspaper is to present reports of events of popular interest. To be of interest, news must be fresh. In the past *The Shakerite* has been published roughly every three weeks. This year, so that its news reporting may keep pace with current interests, *The Shakerite* will appear every two weeks. We will alternate two-page issues, devoted to news reports, with four-page "major productions," containing features and columns as well as news articles.

Newspaper reporting need not be a dry recounting of facts. A reporter must write with zest as well as lucidity. This requires talent and training.

Anyone with journalistic talent can become a reporter for *The Shakerite* regardless of previous experience. In previous years, however, a reporter, once he had been taken onto the staff, received very little further contact with the editors. This year, editors will work much more closely with reporters to develop journalistic talents, since improved reporting results in an improved newspaper.

Several years ago, *The Shakerite's* title carried with it the epithet, "An expression of student opinion." This is not an accurate description, for opinion must never enter into the reporting of a news event. Nevertheless, the second great function of a newspaper is to provide an outlet for the expression of opinion.

To Stir Controversy

The Shakerite will seek to stir controversy through the expression of opinion on many fronts. Editorials will be shorter and more numerous. We will sincerely strive in our editorial policy to commend what merits praise and to attack what needs improvement.

Opinion will appear not only in the editorials. Once again the President of the Student Council will speak out in his own column; at the same time, *The Shakerite* will provide a separate commentary on the activities of the Student Council by Jeff Chokel.

The Shakerite will also call on faculty members to express their judgments on controversial topics. Mike Book will provide perceptive critiques of current attractions around the city. In addition, there will be many features and, we hope, many letters from you, the student body.

The Shakerite is supported by and is only available through the Student Activity Ticket. We hope that we have given you a pretty good reason for buying an Activity Ticket.

What will *The Shakerite* be like this year? There will be more of it, for one thing. It will be more active, and we hope, more interesting.

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Halfback Tom Rison, aided by blocking from John Collier, sweeps end in a scrimmage with Cathedral Latin, while coaches Nay Sanna and Allen Raymond look on. Shaker won this, the second of three pre-season scrimmages, with a score of two touchdowns to one. This and the other scrimmages, against Warrensville and St. Joseph High School, prepared the squad for tonight's contest against the Mustangs of Maple Heights, as well as helping Head Coach Nay Sanna choose tonight's starting line-up.

Sportacus

By Mike Liff

Tonight, three weeks of tough conditioning, rough scrimmages, and hopeful expectation will culminate in the Red Raiders' football inaugural against Maple Heights.

I will not be so bold as to predict league honors for the Raiders, or to say that they will have a winning season. The success or failure of a football team is dependent upon too many contingencies for even a calculated guess.

This much I can say. Last year's team had two returning lettermen and finished the season with four wins, five losses, and one tie. This year's varsity has ten lettermen returning. In this group are three members of last year's starting backfield.

Rick Krumlauf and Dave Iofredo are both big and fairly fast and with one at fullback and the other at halfback Shaker will possess a powerful backfield. Alan Ippolito is also returning, and as a halfback last year he showed speed and agility are just as important as size on the gridiron.

This year Ippolito and letterman Chris Ensign are vying for the quarterback post vacated by the graduation of Larry Lukasik. That is probably the biggest problem Coach Nay Sanna has this year: Finding an able signal caller to replace All L.E.L. quarterback Larry Lukasik.

The backfield is just about set and Burt Weiss, Marshall Burke, Steve Dono, Rick Cooper, Bruce Hughes, and Rob Forward will form the nucleus of a small but tough and experienced line.

There are many ifs facing the 1963 edition of the Shaker Football team and as Coach Sanna said, the Raiders could be the dark horse team of the Lake Erie League.

This much I can predict. Shaker will be in every game this year and will win its share. I hope it will be the lion's share.

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Yearbooks' Workshops

During the week of July 23-29, Co-editor Betsy Battles, Art Editor Eudice Trabit, and Activities Editor Ken Johnson of the *Gristmill* attended the Workshop on High School Publications on the campus of Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

They, with over two thousand other delegates from many parts of the United States and one from the Philippines, came as members of a high school yearbook or newspaper staff. These three were chosen out of five applicants by George Starr, the faculty adviser to the *Gristmill*.

Students participating in the Workshop were housed on campus but spent most of their time in classes or at lectures. The classes took place from 8:30 in the morning until 3:30 in the afternoon and dealt with one of two areas.

One group of classes emphasized the basic facts about yearbook publication including layout, cover design, and good writing techniques. Mr. Starr taught some of these classes.

The other group of classes was for editors with some experience and dealt with more advanced theory and specific do's and don'ts of yearbook publication.

Representatives from Shaker have traditionally attended these workshops and usually profit by new ideas gained in class or in discussion with other students.

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